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From the Editor's Desk

Dear friends, staff, students, alumni and well-wishers,
Warm greetings to you all.

We are happy to bring out this newsletter for second half of the year 2005. This part of the year, the Vidyalaya institutions marched ahead with several developments. Most notable of them is that our Polytechnic College and the Industrial Training Institute were recommended for ISO 9001-2000 Certification by TUV SUDDEUTSCHLAND INDIA PVT LTD. The certificate from the head quarters of this German certification agency was received in a Public Function held at our GKD Auditorium.

Our readers may remember that we had announced in our previous newsletter the formation of a multi-campus Deemed University, the Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute (RKMVERI), and Vidyalaya's IHRDC becoming its first off-campus faculty of Disability Management and Special Education. In the month of August, the inaugural function of the B.Ed. (Special Education) and M.Ed. (Special Education) courses of the Vivekananda Deemed University was held at IHRDC. This was attended by the Pro-chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar and other senior monks from different centers.

Our Polytechnic College and the Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development (IARD) are celebrating their Golden Jubilee. Many interesting and useful programs have been planned by these two institutes, some of them already successfully completed, as components of their Jubilee.

Significantly, the All Vidyalaya Alumni Association has grown from strength to strength. With its growing membership, it has convened several meetings in the districts of Coimbatore, Erode, Salem, Nilgiris etc which were attended by many of our former students. Appreciably,

more than four lakhs of rupees have been distributed as scholarship among deserving Vidyalaya students from the alumni funds.

On the academic front, the Industrial Training Institute has done commendably well. In the annual All Trades Test conducted by the National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) the pass-percentage of our boys was well ahead of the pass-percentage of the other ITIs in the state. Staff of Vidyalaya's various institutes participated and conducted many useful seminars and workshops, furthering the dissemination of knowledge.

The International Human Resource Development Center for the Disabled (IHRDC) has been doing exceptional work in implementing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (Education for All) program and the Special Project of forming and perpetuating Self-Help Groups of disabled persons under the SGSY scheme of the Indian Government. The IHRDC is the implementing agency for the districts of Coimbatore and Nilgiris, as far as the Education for All scheme is concerned. The District Administration honored IHRDC for its outstanding performance in the implementation of the SGSY scheme. The District Collector presented the award to the IHRDC during the Independence Day Celebration at Coimbatore.

We express our sincere thanks and good wishes to all who have helped the Vidyalaya grow into a mighty banyan. It is you all who have made it possible for serving the society in an excellent manner by giving secular education integrated with our Indian Values, for producing high-quality citizens out of the students who study here.

Yours affectionately

Swami Atmaramananda

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Secretary

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General Events

Two 8th standard students of TAT Kalanilayam met Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam, Honourable President of India, when he visited Coimbatore on 6 July.

Vidyalaya High School conducted a Play Festival for its students on 28 October.



Students of Vidyalaya High School and Swami Shivananda Higher Secondary School participated in a rally for Abolition of Child Labour on 30 August. The District Educational Officer and Block Development Officer, Periyanaickenpalayam, participated.



Gandhi Teachers' Training Institute was authorized to be a study centre for Diploma in PPT by the Tamil Nadu Open

University. 60 students were enrolled for the Pre-Primary Training course. The course was inaugurated on 21 October.



The inaugural function marking the Golden Jubilee celebrations of our Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development was held on 29 August. A brochure containing the proposed year-long activities was released during the function. About 30 farmers, alumni and invitees participated in the function. Sri. A. Murugavel, former Lecturer in IARD (now working in our



College of Arts and Science), sponsored an endowment of Rs.50,000/-, the interest on which is to be awarded to three best-performing students of the IARD every year.

USHA Fire Safety Equipments (P) Ltd., conducted a Fire Safety program for all the first and second year students of the ITI on 30 September. In-plant training program was arranged for students of the Electronic Mechanic and Wireman trades at various industrial houses in Coimbatore during the period August - October.

Our Maruthi College conducted the Bharathiar University Inter-collegiate Football tournament from 16 to 18 August.

The Computer Laboratory of the College of Arts and Science is a well-equipped one. Taking advantage of the availability of such a good in-campus facility, students of the Vidyalaya High School and Swami Shivananda Higher Secondary School, in batches, are given training in computer operations. Gradually this facility will be extended to all the students of the Vidyalaya's schools.

Our Polytechnic College organised an orientation program on, 'ISO 9001 – 2000 Certification', on 01 July at the GKD Auditorium. Sri Prabhu Anand, Dhrona Quality Management Consultancy, Coimbatore, delivered a lecture explaining benefits of having ISO certification for an institution.



The Polytechnic College was recommended for ISO Certification by TUV SUDDEUTSCHLAND INDIA PVT LTD. The certificate from the head quarters of the certification agency, which is in Germany, was received in a Public Function held at the GKD Auditorium.

A website for our College of Education was launched. The website address is srkvcoe.org

An Autonomous Review Committee visited the College of Education on 20 September for reviewing the autonomous status of the college.

The first meeting of the Board of Studies and Academic Council of the Vivekananda Deemed University was conducted at the IHRDC on 08 August and 11 August respectively.

The inaugural function of the B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses of the Vivekananda Deemed University was held at the IHRDC on 13 August. The Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, the Swami In-charge of Research and senior monks from different centers participated in the function and blessed the staff and students.



The second meeting of the Board of Management of the Deemed University was held at the IHRDC on 13 August.

The NCTE - Southern Regional Committee meeting was conducted here at the IHRDC on 29 August. As part of this SRC meeting, a brain storming workshop on 'Present role and future expectation of NCTE' was conducted on 30 August. Prof. Shardindu, Chairman, NCTE, was present. The Vice-Chancellor, Bharathiar University inaugurated the Workshop. 45 Principals of Colleges of Education and Teacher Training Institutes from the NCTE - Southern Region participated.



The new building for the self-financing wing of the College of Arts and Science was inaugurated on 03 August. The First Year Under Graduate classes of this section started functioning in the new building from 04 August.

Inaugural function of the UGC-assisted Career Oriented Diploma and certificate courses were held on 22 August in the College of Arts and Science's seminar hall.

As a part of NCC Day celebration, our unit, 4 (TN) Bn NCC, Coimbatore-18, organised a two-day Cycle Expedition (100 km) from Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Alandurai, on 26 and 27 November, to create an awareness about NCC among public.

Seminars and Workshops

SWAMI SHIVANANDA HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

On 9 December a special lecture on 'Modern Techniques in Teaching' was given by Dr. N. Muthaiah, Principal, College of Education.

POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE

On 01 August, the EMD centre organized a seminar on 'Attitude and Altitude of an Entrepreneur'. Sri Senthil Krishnaswamy, General Manager, Novantus Software India Pvt. Ltd., Coimbatore, delivered a lecture.

On 30 August, a seminar on 'Parenting' was organized by our Community Polytechnic Scheme for ladies. Three technical sessions were conducted by Smt. Maya Gaitonde and Sri K.M. Padmanabhan from Chennai on 'Parental Readiness', 'Traditional Child Rearing Practices' and 'Matri Devo Bhava; Pitri Devo Bhava'. Totally 424 participants, comprising of parents and former trainees of our CPS, from our main centre and extension centres situated at Karamadai, Kavundampalayam and Mettupalayam attended the program.



As part of the Golden Jubilee Celebration the following program were organised in the Polytechnic College:

- On 16 and 17 November, an 'Inter-School Science and Technology Exhibition' was conducted jointly with the Tamil Nadu State Council for Science and Technology (TNSCST), Chennai, and The National Council for Science and Technology Communications, New Delhi. 9th and 10th standard students from 26 schools exhibited 92 models. 3000 students from 17 schools visited this exhibition at allotted hours. Four judges from non-participating institutions evaluated the exhibits.
- A District-level 'Technical Seminar-cum-Quiz' program was conducted for civil engineering students on 'Advances in Concrete Technology' at our GKD Auditorium on 06 August. 7 polytechnics participated.
- A District-level seminar-cum-quiz programme was conducted for mechanical engineering students on 'Non-Conventional Energy Sources' on 13 August at GKD Auditorium. Two polytechnics participated.
- The Information Technology department of our College conducted a District-level seminar-cum-quiz programme on 'Multimedia' at GKD Auditorium on 20 August. 4 polytechnics participated.
- On 27 August, the Electrical and Electronics department of our College conducted a District-level seminar-cum-quiz programme on 'FACTS', 'Real Time Applications in PLC' and 'Modern Trends in PCB Design' at GKD Auditorium. 7 Polytechnics participated. Our Polytechnic College won the first place in these seminars.

On 11 July, as part of Civil Engineering Association activities Er. S. Pichaiya, President, Association of Consulting Civil Engineer's (India), Coimbatore, and Er. S. Karthikeyan, M/s. Vinyas Construction, Coimbatore, delivered lectures on 'Future Trends in Civil Engineering'.

On 19 July, a Value Education Symposium was conducted at GKD Auditorium. Sri. T. A. Venkateswaran, Retd. Regional Manager of *The Hindu*, Visakhapatnam, delivered lectures on 'Harmonious Personality', 'Practical Spirituality', 'Yoga and Meditation' and 'India's Gifts To the World'.

On 05 August, the Information Technology Association organized a guest-lecture on 'Future Trends in Computer Programming and Projects'. Sri Shibojt Bhattacharjya, senior faculty, NIIT, Chennai, delivered the lecture.

On 08 August, the Civil Engineering Association organized a guest-lecture on 'Computer Softwares for Civil Engineers'. Er. P. Sukumar, Lecturer in Civil Engineering, Tamil Nadu College of Engineering, Karumathampatti, delivered the lecture.

Sri S. Senthilkumar, Lecturer in Civil Engineering, delivered a guest-lecture on 'Earthquake Rescue Methods' at the Government Polytechnic College, Nagercoil, in the Inter-Polytechnic Workshop on 'Disaster Management' on 13 August.

On 25 August our Information Technology Association organized a guest lecture on 'Hardware and Networking' at the Lal Bahadur Hall of our college. Sri D. Jagadishkumar, senior faculty, IT Accel Academy, delivered the lecture. On the same day, our Mechanical Engineering Association organized a guest-lecture at our GKD auditorium on 'Recent Trends in Manufacturing'. Prof. K.S. Amirthakandeswaran, Asst. Prof. of Mechanical Engineering, Govt. College of Technology, Coimbatore, delivered the lecture.

On 09 September, the EMD centre of our college organized a seminar on 'Strategy For New Entrepreneur'. Sri P. Kumaresan, Managing Director, Ponmani Industries, Peelamedu, delivered the lecture.

On 21 September, our Electrical and Electronics Engineering Association organized a guest-lecture on 'Computer Hardware and Networking' at the GKD Auditorium. Smt. Sudha, faculty, Accel IT Academy, delivered the lecture.

On 14 and 15 September, the Information Technology Association of our College organized a workshop on 'Software Development and Project Plan'. Sri P. Thirumalaisamy, Programmer, Pracoss Tech. Pvt. Ltd., Palakkadu, delivered the lecture.

On 16 September, the EMD Centre of our college organized a seminar on 'Business Opportunities In and Out Of India'. Sri Satish Babu, Senior Software Engineer, American Health Net, Chennai, and Sri Parthiban, Senior Software Engineer, Honeywell Inc. Bangalore, delivered the lecture.

INSTITUTE OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (IARD)

Sri R. Kesavan, Chief Executive Officer, M/s. Rasi Seeds, Aattur, visited our Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development on 14 October, and delivered a lecture to all students on 'Seed Production and Processing'.

Dr. T. Srinivasan, Research Associate, Department of Agriculture Entomology, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, visited our IARD on 15 October, and delivered a lecture on 'Stored Pest Management' to the II year students.

MARUTHI COLLEGE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The School Education Department, Coimbatore Region, and Maruthi College of Physical Education jointly organised a four-day workshop for the Physical Education Teachers and Physical Directors of Coimbatore and Erode Districts from 14 to 17 September at the college. In this workshop 91 Physical Education Personnel and 150 trainees of our college attended.



- Golden Jubilee celebration was inaugurated by Dr. S. Sivasubramanian, Vice-Chancellor of Bharathiar University, at the GKD Auditorium on 22 September, and a handout detailing an yearlong program also was released on the occasion.
- State-level Inter-Collegiate Seminar-cum-Quiz Competition was held on 23 September. In this programme 13 Physical Education Institutions participated. 26 papers were presented. Our college quiz team secured I and III places in the competition.
- In continuation of the Golden Jubilee celebrations, a reunion of alumni was organised on 25 September by the MCPE. 49 alumni participated in the function

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Our College of Education organized a one-day in-service course for matriculation school teachers on teaching mathematics, with specific reference to newly included content in the 9th Std. syllabus. Fifty four teachers from 32 schools participated on 16 July.

A content-course on 'Teaching Economics' and 'Teaching English' was organized on 9 and 11 August respectively. Fifty teachers of Economics and sixty six teachers of English from more than thirty schools participated.

A one-day demonstration-cum-lecture session was organized for +2 students and staff on 4 and 5 August with regard to selected topics in Physics and Chemistry. More than 120 students and 12 teachers participated.

The Department of Biological Science established a 'Biological Science Forum', which was inaugurated by Dr. K. Mani, Editor, *Kalaikathir* and Professor in Botany, PSG Arts & Science College, on 29 November.

A National Seminar on 'Learning Difficulties and Instructional Strategies' was organized on 16 and 17 December. Besides our students and faculty members, 158 participants from the Southern States participated in the Seminar.



INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (IHRDC)

A training program on 'Braille Maintenance' was organized on 7 and 8 July. 5 resource teachers participated.

Two training programmes were organised for field workers of Sight Savers International from 04 to 25 July and 01 to 31 August. 26 field workers participated in these programmes.

A one-day orientation program for Co-operative Bankers on implementation of SGSY special scheme for persons with disabilities was conducted at the Vidyalaya's auditorium on 23 July. Sri S. Kosalaraman, IAS, District Collector, Coimbatore, delivered the inaugural address and distributed loans to clients.



An orientation program on practical activities for DSE students was organized on 01 and 02 September. Sri K. Satheeshkumar, Principal, GTTI, acted as resource person. Teachers of IHRDC also participated in the program.

Training program for special educators on cross-disability management was organized in two batches (19-21 and 22-24 September). All the special educators working in Coimbatore and the Nilgiris Districts participated in the training program.

A workshop with an objective of developing signs for mathematical and science terms at the secondary level was conducted from 26-30 September. 35 teachers participated in this weeklong workshop. A training program on 'Integrated Education for Disabled Children' was organized from 07-15 November. 23 teachers from Andhra, Kerala, Karnataka and Pondicherry participated.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

The Department of MCA conducted a seminar on 'Career Opportunities in IT' on 03 August. The Department of Physics conducted a one-day seminar 'COSMOS-05' in collaboration with the Tamil Nadu Science and Technology Centre, Chennai, on 05 October.



International Events

The staff of the Vidyalaya took part in many international events. The details are given below:

Institution	Staff / Student	Events	Dates
College of Arts and Science	Sri P. Murugesan <i>Dept. of Cooperation</i>	Participated in the International Training Programme on 'Management of Rural Financial Institutions and Cooperatives for Rural Development' held at National Institute of Rural Development	12-17 Sept
		Participated in an International Conference on 'Business Economics and Finance' organised by Adaikkalamatha Institute of Management, Vallam Thanjavur District	29 Sept
College of Education	Dr. S. Rajaguru <i>Lecturer in Education</i>	Attended an International Conference on 'Mathematics and the Dyslexic' organised by Alpha to Omega Learning Centre, Chennai	25 & 26 Nov
	Sri A. Naveen and Sri J. Augutus Richard <i>Students</i>	Attended an International Seminar organised by All India Research Association conducted at Thirunindravur, Chennai and presented a paper jointly written by them along with Dr.V.Ramakrishnan on 'ICT – Reach the Unreached'	10-12 Oct
IHRDC	Dr. M.N.G. Mani <i>Director</i>	Participated in ICEVI meetings in Vietnam and Japan	12-19 Sept
		Attended the International Symposium on 'Inclusive Education' in Bukit Tinggi, Indonesia	25-29 Sept
		Participated in the CBM Working Committee meeting at Madrid, Spain	25 Nov
		Participated in ICEVI-EFA meeting with heads of international organizations at Spain	28 Nov - 1 Dec
	Sri V.R. Mathivanan <i>Deputy Director</i>	Participated in the International Conference on 'Deaf Education' in The Netherlands	14-21 July

National and Regional Events

The staff of the Vidyalaya took part in many national and regional events. The details are given below :

Institution	Staff / Student	Events	Dates
TAT Kalanilayam	Sri A. Muralidharan and Sri K. Thangavelu, <i>Teachers</i>	Participated in training about 'Environmental Hygiene' conducted by the Coimbatore District Education Department	18 & 19 Aug
	Staff Members	Took part in a seminar on 'Environment and Wild Animal Protection' at Mangarai	3 & 4 Dec
Swami Shivananda Hr.Sec.School	Sri M. Shanmugam <i>Headmaster</i>	Attended the District-level Dissemination workshop organized by the Indian Red Cross Society.	22 Oct
	Sri M. Karupppannan and Sri T.K. Shanmugasundaram	Participated in the workshop on 'Teaching Mathematics' held at Karpagam Arts and Science College, Coimbatore	19-21 Dec
Gandhi Teachers' Training Institute	Sri K. Satheesh Kumar <i>Principal</i>	Participated in the 'Brainstorming Session on Present Role and Future Expectation of NCTE', conducted as part of its SRC Meeting at IHRDC	29 Aug
	Sri T. Thangamani <i>Physical Instructor</i>	Acted as a Resource Person in the Seminar on 'Yoga and Self-realisation' organised by Ramalingam Co-operative Institute, at Coimbatore & Pollachi	13 Dec & 23 Dec respectively
Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development	Dr. S. Sankaralingam <i>Principal i/c</i>	Participated in the National Seminar on 'Cattle and Buffalo breeding' held at Udagamandalam	22 & 23 July
		Inaugurated and participated in the Animal Husbandry seminar organized as part of AGRI INTEx 2005 at the CODISSIA ground, Coimbatore	15 August
Maruthi College of Physical Edn.	Dr. G. Palanisamy <i>Principal i/c</i>	Attended the one-day interaction meeting with Norms Review Committee of NCTE at Bangalore	11 August
	Dr. G. Palanisamy and Dr. VST. Saikumar, <i>Lecturer</i>	Attended the NAAC one day workshop at Srimathi Indhira Gandhi College, Trichy	20 August
	Dr. G. Palanisamy and Sri V. Mohanraj	Attended the Finance Management Workshop for Aided College Staff members, jointly organised by the Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore Region and Kongunadu Arts and Science College.	18 Nov
	Dr. V. Perumal <i>Lecturer</i>	Attended the Technical Committee for sports and games and the General Body Meeting of the Department of Physical Education, Bharathiar University	7 & 8 July
	Sri N. Sivasankaran <i>Lecturer</i>	Attended the State-level Handball Clinic at Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore	14 August
	Sri S. Elango <i>Lecturer</i>	Attended and presented a paper on 'Expert Systems Applications in Library and Information Science' in the State-level Seminar on 'Media and Libraries', held at Bishop Appasamy College, Coimbatore	7 & 8 Oct
	Dr. S. Alagesan, <i>Reader & Sri G. Satheeshkumar, Lecturer</i>	Attended the 'Fixtures meeting' of Tamilnadu State Forest Department Sports and Games at Conservator's office	14 Nov
	Sri R. Ramu <i>Typist</i>	Attended Tamilnadu Chief Minister's Social Security Scheme Education Scholarship meeting organized by the Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore Region at Government College of Arts and Science, Coimbatore	21 Dec

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Polytechnic College	Lt. Balasubramani <i>Principal i/c</i>	Presented a paper on 'Personal Hygiene and Sanitation' in the Value Addition seminar at GKD Auditorium organized by our Industrial Training Institute	11 August
	Sri S. Manivannan <i>NSS Programme Officer</i>	Attended the Regional NSS Programme Officers' meeting at Nanjaiah Lingammal Polytechnic College, Mettupalayam.	22 July
	Sri S. Manivannan	attended a one day seminar on 'Renewable Energy' – Energy of the future', held at P.S.G. Polytechnic College – conducted in association with Tamil Nadu Energy Development Agency and Directorate of Technical Education.	22 August
	Sri A. Rajagopalan <i>Lecturer in Mech. Engineering</i>	Attended a short term training programme on 'Guidance & Counselling' at National Institute of Technical Teachers Training & Research at Chennai	8-12 August
	Sri R. Anand <i>Lecturer in Civil Engineering</i>	Presented a paper on 'Environmental Awareness and Safety Aspects' in the value Addition seminar at GKD Auditorium organized by our Industrial Training Institute	11 August
	Sri S. Senthilkumar <i>Lecturer in Civil Engineering</i>	Delivered a key note address on 'Disaster Management for Earthquakes' at GKD Matriculation Higher Secondary School in the inaugural function of the exhibition on 'Disaster Management'	12 August
College of Education	Dr. N. Muthaiah <i>Principal</i>	Acted as a Resource Person for the orientation course organised for the Directors of Shramik Vidyapeeths on the 'Guidelines for Material Preparation for the vocational courses'	22 Sept
		Delivered a lecture for the faculty of Engineering and students of Avinashilingam Deemed University	Aug
		Acted as a Resource Person for the Refresher course conducted by the Academic Staff College, Bharathiar University	6 Nov
		Visited a few Teacher Education institutions in Kerala as NCTE expert	20-22 Nov
		Attended the meeting at Govt Arts & Science College, Coimbatore organised by the office of the Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore Region on the theme 'Tamilnadu Chief Minister's Farmers Social Security Scheme Educational Scholarship'.	21 Dec
	Dr. N. Muthaiah and Dr. V.P. Palaniappan <i>Coordinator, Extension services</i>	Acted as resource persons for one-day orientation course for the Post-graduate teachers of Govt Schools on 'Recent Trends in Teaching' organised by Cherran Arts & Science College, Kongeyam	15 Oct
	Dr. V. Shanmuga Ganesan <i>Reader in Psychology</i>	Attended a National Seminar on 'Psychology in Global Context' at Annamalai University.	Oct
		Acted as a resource person for the one-day orientation course organised by PPG College of Education, Coimbatore	22 Oct
		Delivered a lecture on 'Personality Development' for the participants of the course organised by Tamil Nadu Milk Society	18 Nov
		Acted as a Resource Person for the orientation programme for PG Teachers in Mathematics organized by Karpagam Arts and Science College, Coimbatore	20 Dec
	Dr. S. Rajaguru <i>Lecturer in Education</i>	Acted as a resource person for the orientation course organized for teachers by the DIET of Mayanur	26 July

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College of Edn.	Dr. S. Rajaguru	Attended and acted as a resource person for a National Seminar on 'Teacher Education in the e-world' organised by MAR BASELIOS - B.Ed College, Wayanad, Kerala	Oct
	Dr. S. Sudarsan <i>Reader in History</i>	Acted as a Resource Person of the training programme organized by the Government College of Education, Kumarapalayam	Aug
		Gave a lecture on 'Research Methodology' to the Faculty of Education at Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women, Coimbatore	1 Sept
		Delivered a special address on 'Teachers Role Today' at Vasavi Vidyalaya Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Coimbatore	5 Sept
		Acted as a Resource Person for the orientation course conducted by the Academic Staff College, Bharathiar University.	8 Nov
	Dr. V. Ramakrishnan <i>Reader in Physical Science</i>	Gave a lecture on 'Orientation to Educational Technology' to the B.Ed. students of Faculty of Education, Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women, Coimbatore	6 Sept
		Visited a few Teacher Education institutions in Karnataka as NCTE Expert team member	29-30 Sept
	Sri S. Swaminathan <i>Librarian</i>	Attended a State-level seminar on 'Media & Libraries' organised by CSI Bishop Appasamy College, Coimbatore	7 & 8 Oct
	Dr. V.P. Palaniappan	Attended a State-level Seminar on 'Campus to Community for Autonomous Colleges' organised by Bharathidasan University, Trichy	9 & 10 Dec
College of Arts and Science	Sri M. Kandasamy, Lab Asst & Sri M. Anand, Computer Asst.	Attended a one-day seminar on 'Updating the latest rules and regulations applied to the employees of Govt aided colleges' organised by Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore Region, at Kongunadu Arts & Science College, Coimbatore	Nov
	Dr. V. Kulandaiswamy and Sri P. Murugesan <i>Lecturer (SG) in Cooperation</i>	Attended a Seminar on 'Cooperative Movement in Karnataka - Challenges Ahead' as resource persons, held in JSS College of Arts Commerce and Science, Nanjangud, Mysore	3 Oct
		Acted as resource person in the orientation programmes conducted for the 1 st year NSS students in PSG College and Maharaja College of Arts and Science	2 & 4 August
	Sri P. Murugesan <i>Lecturer (SG) in Cooperation</i>	Participated in the National Seminar on Indian Cooperative Movement at Cross-Roads, organised by the Department of Commerce, Periyar University, Salem and presented a resource paper	19 & 20 August
		Participated in the International Training Programme on Management of Rural Financial Institutions and Cooperatives for Rural Development held at National Institute of Rural Development	12 to 17 Sept
	Dr. A. Murugavel <i>Lecturer (SG) in Cooperation</i>	Attended the Refresher course in Environmental Education	8-28 Sept
	Dr. Paranjothi Ramalingam <i>HOD of Social Work</i>	Attended a NAAC sponsored seminar on 'Quality Awareness and its sustenance in Higher Education' at Vivekananda College, Thiruvudagam	1 Oct
	Sri R. Sridhar, HOD, MCA & Sri C.R. Sakthivel, Lecturer	Attended a seminar on 'Career Opportunities in Medical Transcriptions' at Hotel Recidency	6 Oct

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College of Arts & Science	Sri R. Sridhar , <i>HOD of MCA</i>	Attended a seminar on 'Industry - Academic Meet (IT-ITES-2005)' at Bannari Amman Institute of Technology organised by NASSCOM	30 Nov
	Sri P. Periyasamy and Sri N.V. Balaji , <i>Dept. of MCA</i>	Attended 2-day seminar on 'Java Programming' conducted by IBM at Coimbatore Institute of Technology	7 & 8 Oct
	Dr. K. Perumal , <i>HOD of Physics</i>	Attended the Governing Council Meeting of GR Damodaran Academy of Management, Coimbatore	21 Oct
		Attended a workshop on 'LATEX - The Document Preparation System', at NGM College, Pollachi.	25 Nov
		Delivered a lecture on 'Science and Religion - The Role of Teachers' in the Academic Staff College in the orientation course for teachers	23 Sept
	Sri R. Jayabal , <i>Librarian</i>	Attended a workshop on 'E - Resources, collection, Evaluation and Management' at Sri Krishna College of Engineering and Technology, Coimbatore	22 Oct
	Sri.R.Chandrasekar <i>Lecturer in English</i>	Attended International conference on E - Learning conducted by PSG College of Engineering and Technology	25 & 26 Oct
	Dr. K.Shanmugasundaram <i>HOD of Mathematics</i>	Attended the one-day workshop on post-accreditation activity conducted by the Quality Assurance Cell, Directorate of Collegiate Education, Chennai at Dr. SNS Rajalakshmi Arts and Science College, Coimbatore	12 Nov
IHRDC	Dr. M.N.G. Mani <i>Director</i>	Attended the NCTE SRC Meeting at Bangalore	19 July
		Attended the RCI Meetings at New Delhi	25 July, 22 August & 7 Oct.
		Participated in a meeting at CBM-SARO(S) Bangalore	17 August
		Participated in a National Workshop at Vivekananda Deemed University Kolkata	3 Oct
		Participated in a meeting at TTTI, Chennai on extending P IEDC scheme to students of Government Polytechnics	14 Oct
		Attended meeting of the RCI – Visual Disability Committee meeting at New Delhi	22 Oct
		Made a presentation on instructional strategy for children with learning difficulties in the UGC sponsored national seminar on 'Learning difficulties and instructional strategies' organized by the College of Education	16 Dec
	Sri V.R. Mathivanan <i>Deputy Director</i> Ms. M. Annakodi <i>Lecturer in Special Education</i>	Acted as Resource Persons for the Video Conference on Inclusive Education at the RCI, New Delhi	26 Oct
	Sri V.R. Mathivanan	Visited the SSA programs in Erode, Dindigul, Madurai and Theni districts	7 to 9 Nov
		Discussed with the NGO and Officials in Dindigul District in connection with the implementation of the SSA programme in the District	17-18 Nov
		Participated in meetings at SSA Directorate, Chennai	19 Aug & 21 Nov

Institution	Staff	Events	Dates
IHRDC	Sri V.R. Mathivanan	Participated in the SSA District Education Committee meeting at Collectorate, Coimbatore	1 Dec
	G.R. Ramesh <i>Lecturer in Special Education</i>	Attended the first Apex Body meeting of the Bangalore University regarding the conduct of online examinations for DCBR course of the Bangalore University	31 August
	Mrs. N. Seethalakshmi <i>Special Educator and</i> Ms. I. Prabha <i>Lecturer in Mental Retardation</i>	participated in IED module preparation workshop organized at DIET, Uthamapalayam	27 to 29 Oct

Awards

The District Administration honored our IHRDC for its outstanding performance in the implementation of the SGSY scheme. The District Collector presented the award to the IHRDC during the Independence Day Celebration at Coimbatore.



Nominations

Dr.G.Palanisamy was appointed as a Selection Committee member for the selection of players for the Bharathiar University Basketball (Men) team for the year 2005-2006. He was also selected as the Bharathiar University nominee in the College Committee of RVS College of Education, Coimbatore, from 14 October 2005 for a period of three years.

Sri V. Saminathan was appointed as a Selection Committee member for the selection of team players for the Bharathiar University Hockey (Men) team for the year 2005-2006.

Dr. STN Rajeswaran, Lecturer (SS) was appointed as a Selection Committee member for the selection of athletes for the Bharathiar University Athletic Team for the year 2005-2006.

Camps

10 students of Vidyalaya High School participated in the Scouts' Camp conducted at Thambu Higher Secondary School on 13 and 14 August. 6 scouts students and Sri P. Balasubramaniam, Scout Master, participated in the Scouts' Camp at the campus of the District Scout Authority of Coimbatore from 23 to 25 November.

The Swami Shivananda Hr. Sec. School organised a ten-day N.S.S. Camp at Selvapuram between 25 September to 4 October.

The Directorate of School Education, Chennai, conducted a three-day N.S.S. Camp on 12, 13 and 14 in St. Paul Hr. Sec. School, at Edayarpalayam, Coimbatore.

II year students of the Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development went to Coonoor, Udhagamandalam and surrounding places on 06 October on a study-tour for species identification, landscaping and propagation techniques for various fruit crops and collection of herbarium.

The Polytechnic College conducted a special camp for its volleyball and ball-badminton teams from 27 July to 8 August, to participate in the State-level Open Inter-Polytechnic Tournament organized by the Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home Technical Institute College, Mylapore, Chennai.

Under the SSA-IED scheme, medical screening camps to identify children with mental retardation were conducted in all blocks of the Coimbatore and the Nilgiris District. Children were issued medical certificates and identification cards.

Captain S.M. Mohan along with 17 cadets of the College of Arts and Science attended a 12-day RDC/Combined Annual Training Camp at Maharaja College of Engineering, Avinashi, from 20 August.

A NSS Special Camp was conducted by the College of Arts and Science at Kallarpudur Village from 3 to 10 September.



Academic Excellence

In the annual All Trades Test conducted by the National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) the pass-percentage of our boys was well ahead of the pass-percentage of the other ITIs in the state.

The MCA students of our College of Arts and Science participated in NEURONEXUSV2-5, an Inter-Collegiate event held at Ramakrishna Engineering College on 16 September, and got first prize as a group in the Surprise Event.

Publications

A book titled 'Education of Children with Learning Disabilities' was brought out by the IHRDC.

Research

A meeting of the Research and Publication Council was held on 26 September. Dr.K.Natarajan, Professor and Head of the Department of Chemistry, who is also the Registrar i/c of Bharathiar University, released the research compilation and addressed the faculty members and Research Scholars.

Sports Events

Swami Shivananda Hr. Sec. School

The volleyball team won the Madurai T.V.Sundaram Iyengar Memorial Trophy in the State-level match on 08 July. They also won the E.R.M.E. Rangasamy Memorial Cup, held at Madurai on 24 July.

In the State, Zonal, District-level matches conducted in the month of August, our students secured the first place in football, kabbadi, handball, ballbadminton, kho-kho and beach volleyball.



Our students won the Venkatakrishnan Trophy in the basketball tournament conducted by the Y.M.C.A., Coimbatore. They also won the Sanku Trophy in the volleyball tournament conducted by the Tamil Nadu State Volleyball Association, Villupuram. In the North Zone Sports Meet, our school secured 7 first places and a second place out of 9.

P.Shankara Narayana Prasad of XI Std. and R.Gokul of XI Std. were selected to represent Tamil Nadu in athletics and basketball respectively.

Industrial Training Institute

A State-level Invitation Tournament for ITI/ITC/VTC was held from 10 to 12 November. 650 students from 32 ITI's participated in the event. Our students secured 1st place in football, and first & second places in ballbadminton events.



Maruthi College of Physical Education

Body building, weight lifting competitions

V.Soundarajan, M.P.Ed I year student of our college participated in the District Body Building Competition organized by the Erode District Amateur Body Building Association for three districts of Erode, Coimbatore and the Nilgiris on 17 July at Perundurai. He secured the I place, and also received the Mr.Kongunadu 2005 Award.

Eight students of our college participated in the Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate Weightlifting, Powerlifting and Best Physique competitions and secured 1st place & 2nd places in the Best Physique and Weightlifting events.

V. Soundararajan, an M.P.Ed. I year student of our College, secured first place in the Best Physique competition organized by the Leo Gym, Erode, on 14 August. He also received the Mr. Erode Award.

Kabaddi

Our kabaddi 'A' team secured first place, and the 'C' team secured III Place in a match held in August at Naickenpalayam and received a cash award Rs.3001/- and Rs.1501/- respectively.

Further, the kabaddi team secured II place in the open tournament held at Thondamuthur on 14 August, and received a cash award of Rs. 3000/-.

The kabaddi team also secured II place in the Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate tournament for the year 2005-06 held at Cherans Arts, Science College, Kangeyam.

J. Vijay, an M.P.Ed. II year student of our College, secured I place (doubles) in the District Ranking Tournament organized by the Coimbatore District Badminton Association from 12 to 15 August at Coimbatore.

Again the kabaddi team secured I place in the District-level Kabaddi Tournament held at Samichettipalayam on 3 and 4 September, and also received a cash award of Rs. 3003/-.

It secured I place in the Golden Dream Sports Club tournament held at Thottipalayam on 3 and 4 September, and also received a cash award of Rs. 3001/-

Football

The football team of our college won the Bharathiar University 'A' Zone Inter-Collegiate Football tournament held at our college grounds on 18 August.

It won the Bharathiar University Inter-Zonal Tournament for the year 2005-06 held at the Bharathiar University grounds.

Others

The following teams of our college secured I place in the Coimbatore Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association's (CICAA)

Sports and Games for the year 2005-06 -- hockey, volleyball, kho-kho, shuttlebadminton, ballbadminton and football. The College also secured the over all championship in this sports meet.

The kho-kho team secured III place in the Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate Tournament for the year 2005-06.

The college's B.P.Ed student, S.Vinayagamoorthy, secured II place in the Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate Cross Country Race on 31 August. He has been also selected to represent the Bharathiar University Cross Country Road Race team for the year 2005-06.

The college organized the Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate Hockey Tournament at our college grounds from 19 to 22 September. In this tournament our hockey team secured II place.

The Bharathiar University Inter-Collegiate Handball Tournament was held at our college grounds from 13 to 16 October. Our college team secured II place.

The Bharathiar University inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet was held at the Nehru Stadium from 19 to 21 October. In the hammer throw, a new meet record was set by Sri V. Mahendran. In Half-Marathon, Sri S. Vinayagamoorthy secured the first place. He has been selected to represent the Bharathiar University in its cross-country team for the year 2005-06.

Sri M. Bharathi, M.P.Ed. II year student of our college, represented the Namakkal District in the State-level volleyball tournament held at Chennai from 9 to 12 December.

Polytechnic

Our students participated in the Centenary State-level Inter-Polytechnic College Tournaments 2005-06, conducted by the Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home, Chennai, and won the 3rd place in the Volleyball event.

The kabaddi team of secured the first place in the Inter-Polytechnic Athletic Association Kabaddi Tournament held at Nanjaiah Lingammal Polytechnic College, Mettupalayam, on 24 and 25 August.

On 8 and 9 September, the volleyball team participated in the Divisional-level Polytechnic Athletic Association Volleyball Tournament held at Sri Ramakrishna Polytechnic College, Vattamalaipalayam, and emerged winners.

College of Arts and Science

Cricket team of the College got first place in VLB Engineering College Cricket trophy. A student of our team was selected as man of the match.

Literary, Cultural and Skill Competitions

Students of the Vidyalaya High School secured first prize in Essay Writing, Recitation, Drawing, and Oratory in the Gurupuja Literary Competitions.

Three 8th Standard students of our TAT Kalanilayam participated and won prizes in a Quiz Competition conducted by *Chutty Vikatan*, a weekly magazine, on 14 November.

The overall championship was won by the students of the Swami Shivananda Higher Secondary School in the Music and Oratorical competitions conducted by the Anbu Library.

The Swami Shivananda Higher Secondary School (English Medium) students participated in a Science Exhibition on 16 & 17 November, conducted by our Polytechnic College, and secured first place and a cash award of Rs. 500 for the exhibit, 'Sea Water Purification'.



Our Polytechnic college students participated in a State-level Inter- Polytechnic Cultural and Literary Competitions organized by the Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home Technical Institute College and secured 1st place in Elocution (Tamil) & Drawing competitions, and 2nd place in Essay Writing.

Students of our ITI secured II place in Dance and Drama in the District- level Cultural Competitions on 10 September.

Sri C.R. Rathish and Sri B. Sagaya Prabhu, 5th Semester students of our Polytechnic, won the second prize in a quiz competition on 'Renewable Energy Sources', conducted by Dr. Mahalingam Engineering College, Pollachi, on 20 August.

On 10 September, our Polytechnic College organized at our GKD Auditorium, a District-level Cultural and Literary Competition for Polytechnic Colleges/Industrial Training Centres in Coimbatore District. A total of 315 students from 11 Polytechnic colleges and 8 ITCs participated in the Drama, Dance, Solo song, and Elocution competitions. Our students won the 2nd place in Elocution, 1st and 2nd places in Dance, 2nd & 3rd places in the drama competitions.



The College's students participated in the District-level Inter-Polytechnic Cultural and Literary Competitions organized by the Erode Institute of Technology, Erode, on 16 September. They secured the 1st place in mimicry, and the 3rd place in the dance competition.

Our College of Education students, Sri A. Renganathan and Sri D. Manivannan, received first prize in Tamil Poetry Competition and English Essay Competitions conducted in connection with the Guru Puja.

Alumni Activities

The All Vidyalaya Alumni Association has been growing admirably. The membership of the association has gone up to 6,241, thanks to the cooperation extended by the staff of the various institutions of the Vidyalaya. They deserve appreciation. The district chapters of the Alumni Association, started in recent years have commenced their activities. The Salem chapter was inaugurated on 24 July. Swamis, Heads of Institutions from Vidyalaya and office bearers of AVAA attended.

The Nilgiris Principal Chapter has completed a few useful activities; and the Personality Development Camp for school students organised in Kotagiri on 10 and 11 November, was quite successful.

The Erode Chapter of the association has opened a 'Vivekananda Library'.

An Alumni Meeting, comprising district representatives, was held on 09 October at our Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development. About 18 members from 4 districts participated in the meeting. The Alumni meeting of the Coimbatore District also was held on 20 October. 18 alumni participated in the meeting.

In the College of Arts and Science, the departments of Chemistry and Mathematics are planning to organise alumni associations meetings of their respective departments. They are scheduled to be convened during February 2006.

The alumni of the College of Arts and Science who are employed in CTS have donated a computer to the CGP Cell.

The AVVA honored three of its alumni, Dr. K. Mariappan (presently Director, Tamil Nadu Primary Education Directorate), Sri R. Rajendran (presently Vice President, Finance, Lakshmi Machine Works, Coimbatore), and Sri T.R. Krishnamurthy (Retired Principal, Ramakrishna Mission Vidyalaya Polytechnic College), in a public function at our auditorium on 11 December.

From the alumni funds this year (2004-05), Rs. 4,84,137.95 was distributed as scholarship among deserving Vidyalaya students.

Placement Activities

Industrial Training Institute

In July, one student of the Electronic Mechanic stream got placed an apprentice in PRICOL, Periyanaickenpalayam, Coimbatore, and two students of Electronic Mechanic got placed in SAMSUNG INDIA.

In October, a campus interview was conducted for our ITI and Government ITI students (a total of 89 students), by ESSAR STEEL LTD., Hazira, Gujarat, for the Fitter, Turner, Machinist, Electrician, Electronic Mechanic and Welder trades. 16 students of the 2005 batch, all from our ITI, got placements.

The Electronic Mechanic-II year students attended a personal interview at BPL Ltd., Coimbatore. 4 candidates were selected.

Gandhi Teachers' Training Institute

All the students (belonging to MBC & SC category) of the Diploma in Teacher Training course from Coimbatore District (up to year 2004 batch) got placement. From the 2005 batch, ten students got placements under the Parent Teachers Association scheme.

Polytechnic

2 DME students of the 2004-05 batch were selected in an off-campus interview held at CIT Polytechnic College by ESSAR Steels, Gujarat. On 16 October, one DME student of the 2004-05 batch was selected by TVS Motor Company in an off-campus interview held at Kongu Engineering College, Perunthurai.

Maruthi College of Physical Education

More than 20 students of our College got employment as Physical Education Teachers in various schools and colleges.

College of Arts and Science

Mr. B. Umesh, III MCA student of our college, got placement in Satyam Computer Service Ltd. He was one among the 43 students selected in the campus interview out of the 1600 who appeared for the test.

The following MCA students got placements as follows:

Sivasubramaniam, Ramprakash and M.S Nagaraj
- *Rediye Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore*

Sri Lakshmi Narayanan
- *Adaptech, Bangalore*

Sri Sathish and Prasannakumar
- *Easy Design System, Coimbatore.*

New Appointments

Sri N. Senthilkumar has been appointed in Swami Shivananda Higher Secondary School as a Physical Director with effect from 1 July.

The following appointments were made during this period in the Polytechnic College:

- Sri M.D. Saravanan - Lecturer in DEEE
- Sri Rajesh - Lecturer in Information technology
- Sri R. Sureshkumar - Lecturer in DEEE
- Sri P.N. Senthilprakash - Lecturer in DIT
- Sri R. Rajiniganth - Lecturer in DIT
- Sri S. Somasundaram - Hardware Engineer

Ms. S.R. Githa joined duty as Lecturer in Psychology in the IHRDC with effect from 01 December.

Extension Activities

Dr. S. Sankaralingam, Principal i/c, IARD, imparted training to farmers on 'Dairy Cattle Management', organized by the

Dr. Ambedkar Self-Employment Training Institute, Pudupudur, from 01 July to 06 August.

Dr. M. Tilak, Lecturer in Agriculture, imparted mushroom cultivation training (cultivation aspects of oyster mushroom) to 15 participants under the "Trainers' Training" conducted on 22 July by IHRDC for the benefit of visually impaired persons. He also gave a practical demonstration of Oyster Mushroom Cultivation on 17 August to 12 members from Kotagiri who attended training at IHRDC.

Sri S. Sugandaraj and Dr. M. Tilak, Lecturers, imparted training on 'Vermiculture Production of Ornamental Plants and Mushroom Production' on 05 August to various self-help groups organized by the Lion Club of Coimbatore at Jolley World Technical Park near Mettupalayam.

An eight-weeks training program on Basic Welding was given to 8 employees of KSB Pumps Ltd. in our ITI from the month of October.

In the College of Education, a two-day in-service course on 'Teaching Science' for aided-schools teachers was conducted on 23 and 24 November. 72 teachers from 30 schools participated.

A free eye check-up was conducted for the benefit of students in the College of Arts and Science on 16-17 August, by Madurai Eye Hospital, Coimbatore.

The IHRDC's Self-Help Group project under the SGSY scheme saw many developments in this half of the year:

- In a Grading meeting, which was conducted at Kanuvai Cluster Level Center on 29 June, 18 groups participated and Rs.6.5 lakhs was sanctioned for them as loan.
- Coir-making training for the second batch commenced at Sirumugai CLC on 01 July. 12 clients participated.
- Loan disbursement was made through the TUCAS Bank, Narasimhanaickenpalayam, on 05 and 06 September.

A seminar on 'Loan facilities for Self-Help Groups For Starting Large Scale Industries' was jointly organized by the DRDA and IHRDC on 7 October. Sri C. Kosalaraman, District Collector, inaugurated the seminar and presented loan assistance to clients. Officials from the District Administration, Cooperative Banks and NGOs participated in the function.

A National-level meeting of the parents of mentally retarded children was jointly organized by Parivaar, Sarathy-Pammac and NIMH at the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore, on 12 and 13 November. Dr. M.N.G. Mani acted as Chairman of the Organizing Committee and participated in the meeting. He also presented a paper on 'Self-Help Group For Persons With Disabilities'.

On 8 December as part of the Sarva Siksha Abhiyan activity in the Nilgiris District, the IHRDC in association with the District Administration distributed assistive devices to children with disabilities. A total of 80 children with disabilities received assistive devices in the function organized at Ootacamund. In which the Minister for Tourism, Government of Tamil Nadu, Sri Miller, distributed the devices. The function was presided over by the District Collector of the Nilgiris. Officials from the district administration and IHRDC attended the function.

A Continuing Rehabilitation Education program with support from the Rehabilitation Council of India on *Information and Communication Technology* was conducted in the IHRDC from 3 to 7 October. 15 professionals working in various institutes from the states of Tamil Nadu and Kerala participated.

City Centre

Our City Centre at Kavundampalayam, which was catering to the spiritual needs of devotees in the city, was made into a full-fledged Math Centre and a branch of the Belur Math. Swami Bhaktikamananda took charge of the Math at an impressive and solemn handing over function held on 07 September, which was also the Ganesha Chaturthi day. The occasion was blessed by Swami Gitanandaji Maharaj, most revered Vice-President, Swami Shivamayanaandaji, and other monks from Belur Math and various centres in Tamil Nadu.

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